

Pa. cattlemen to teach at N.Y. workshop

ARKPORT, N.Y. — Two Pennsylvania cattlemen, Terry Shearer of Abbottstown and Randy Becker of Fairfield, will be instructors at a Junior workshop sponsored by Stonen Farm, Arkport, N.Y. on June 28.

Shearer is farm manager at Pigeon Hill Farm where he has been employed for the past seven years. He is in charge of a herd of 80 brood cows, both registered and grade Herefords.

Becker has been herdsmen at Spring Bottom Farm for two years. He is in charge of the show cattle on this registered Polled Hereford farm which has 45 brood cows. Becker was

named the 1980 Pennsylvania Farm Show herdsmen for Polled Herefords.

Both Shearer and Becker are veteran beef showmen and have taken part in all the major Eastern seaboard cattle shows.

The two will lead a discussion on "Competition and You - Developing the Proper Attitude". They will be in charge of a fitting and grooming training session.

The program will also include a discussion on "Nutrition of Project Animals" by Bill Hudson, Steuben County Agricultural Extension Program leader, and a discussion on "The Healthy Project Animal" by Dr. Eugene Johannes, DVM.

The Junior workshop, which will be held at the farm, is designed to emphasize fitting and showing beef cattle and to provide a preview training session for the 1980 county fair and Junior show season. It is open to all interested youth.

The Junior workshop will run concurrently with a Stonen Farm sponsored breeder forum on "Strategies of Success with Small Herds."

Forum participants will include Bob Morrison of Lexington, Ohio, farmer-breeder and past president of the Buckeye Polled Hereford Association; Jim Herman of Edgerton, Ohio, farmer-breeder; Kenneth

Swan of Whitney Point, N.Y., farmer-breeder and past president of the Empire Polled Hereford Association; William Greene, livestock extension associate at Cornell University; and Peter Comerford, grading specialist with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets.

Topics of discussion will include management to maximize genetic progress, merchandising, the role of breed associations and questions from those attending the Forum.

Both the forum and workshop will begin at 11 a.m.

Stonen Farm, easily accessible from the Southern

Tier Expressway, Route 17, is located six miles north of Hornell. It is owned by Louis G. Busch Jr.

Additional information on either the Junior workshop or breeder forum may be obtained by contacting cattle manager, Stephen Dennis, R1 Box 153A, Arkport, N.Y. 14807 or by calling 607-545-8619.

Nine shepherds certified in management skills

SOUDERTON — Nine part-time shepherds from the Montgomery County area received certificates of accomplishment upon successful participation in a sheep clinic sponsored by the Montgomery County Cooperative Extension Service in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Cooperative Extension Service and the Department

of Agricultural Education at Penn State held recently at the farm of Warren Landis in Souderton.

The sheep clinic was conducted as part of a statewide effort to expand sheep production in Pennsylvania. Basic technical sheep management skills were taught by Nancy Kadwill, County Agent of Collegeville and Warren Landis, President of Bucks-Mont Wool Pool.

The skills taught included catching, handling and throwing sheep, castrating and docking lambs, how to give an intramuscular injection, hoof trimming; taking temperatures; worming with a dose syringe; how to make an "instant" halter out of baling twine; and determining the age of a sheep by its teeth.

These sheep management skills were taught to enable shepherds to be competent in performing approved sheep management practices.

Kadwill and Landis explained and demonstrated each skill followed by a laboratory session allowing each participant to practice the technical skills Under the watchful eye of the in-

structors, all participants had the opportunity to become competent in performing each skill.

To qualify to receive the certificate of accomplishment, individuals had to earn a score of 85 or higher by performing their newly learned skills before an evaluator from Penn State.

Those receiving the certificate of accomplishment were Terry Newman, Harleysville; Leroy and Alta Poore of Ottsville; Marilyn and Ralph Mase of Telford; John Grocki of Pottstown and Gretchen Strylecki of Pennsburg.



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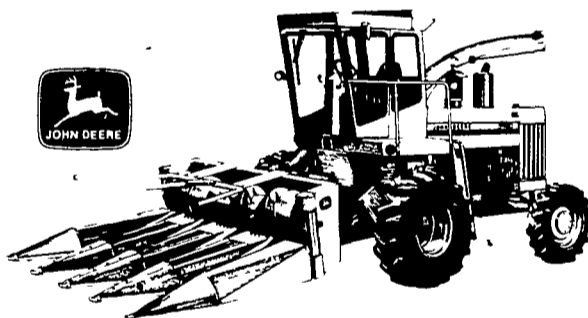


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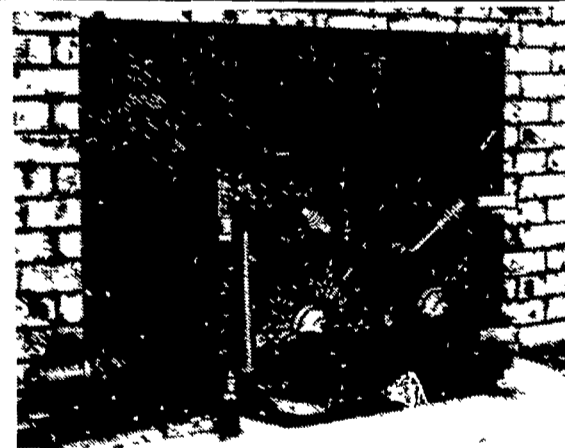
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